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Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE OF FILING
The Lennox Independent		9/18/03
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
weekly	52	$25/$30

4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION *(Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)*
PO Box 76, Lennox, SD 57039-0076

5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER *(Not printer)*
116 S. Main, PO Box 76, Lennox, SD 57039-0076

6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER:
Verlyn and Debbie Schmidt

7. OWNER *(If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stock holders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual own ers must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.*

FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS
Verlyn and Debbie Schmidt	27726 467th Ave., Lennox, SD 57039

8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGEES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES *(If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form)*

9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION *(See instructions on reverse side)*	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUE D PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO COPIES ISSUE NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES *(Net Press Run)*	1850	1850
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales	297	320
2. Mail Subscription *(Paid and or requested)*	1492	1444
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION *(Sum of 10B1 and 10B2)*	1789	1764
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		
SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY, AND OTHER FREE COPIES	15	10
L. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION *(Sum of C and D)*	1804	1774
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	46	76
2. Return from News Agents	0	0
G. TOTAL *(Sum of E, F1 and 2 -- should equal net press run shown in A)*	1850	1850

I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER, OR OWNER
Debbie Schmidt /publisher

State of South Dakota)
:
County of Lincoln)

(Seal)

Sworn to before me this 18 day of September, 19 2003

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Notary Public

My commission expires July 9, 2009

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